



NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER novembre 2023

AIH CHARITIES ITALIAN NIGHT

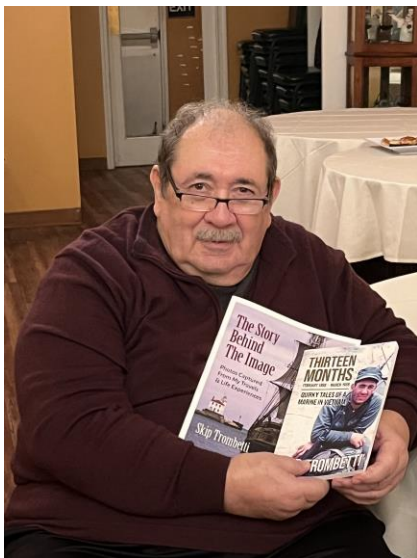
On Saturday Night, October 7th, our AIH Charities held its annual Italian Night dinner at Regovich's Party Center in Eastlake. There were about 200 members and guests in attendance, and they all had a wonderful time. There were Sideboards, a Chinese Auction, Food Wheels, and a 50/50 raffle. Regovich Caterers prepare a delicious dinner for all, and the evening culminated in music and dancing.

If you couldn't make it this year, plan to join us in 2024.

A special thanks for the committee that pulled the event together; Ron Wassum, Bill Petrello, Gus Paolucci, John Perrotti and Anita Licate.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Unfortunately, our annual AIH Clam Bake had to be cancelled this year because we didn't have enough people sign up to allow us to secure a caterer. The meeting reverted to a regular monthly Membership Meeting and Skip Trombetti graciously stepped up to be our speaker.



Skip Trombetti

UPCOMING EVENTS

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NOVEMBER novembre

15 November 2023, Wednesday, AIH Executive Committee Meeting

- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Time 5:30p
- 25 November 2023, Saturday, OSU v Univ of Mich. Football Game, AIHC 50/50 Board**
- Chair and primary Point of Contact:
 - John Perrotti
- Venue: Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor.
- Kick off: 12:00 noon
- 29 November 2023, Wednesday, AIH Membership Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Speaker: Mike Fratello, former coach of the Cavaliers.

DECEMBER dicembre

- In accordance with our Bylaws, there is no scheduled Executive Committee Meeting or Membership Meeting in December.
- 9 December 2023, Saturday, AIH Club Christmas Party**
- Chair and primary Point of Contact:
 - Gus Paolucci
- Committee
 - John Perrotti
 - Jim Federico Sr.
 - Mario Bertone
- Venue: Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 2:00p – 4:00p
- Volunteers arrive at 12:00p for set up.
- Cost: Free
- There will be a Balloon Artist for the children.
- Santa and Presents: Santa will pass out presents to children. All presents are to be purchased, wrapped, identified, and delivered to the venue no later than 12:00 noon, the day of the event.
- Registration is required. There is a limited capacity of 80, so it will be first come, first served.
It's FREE, but reservations are required. See attached flyer.

JANUARY gennaio

- 24 January 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 5:30p
- 31 January 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Speaker: TBD

FEBRUARY febbraio

- 11 February 2024, Sunday, Super Bowl LVIII, 100 Square Board**
- Chair and primary Point of Contact:
 - John Perrotti
- Committee:
 - TBD – Volunteers needed.
- Kick Off Time: TBD
- Venue: Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- The completed 50/50 Board will be posted on the club website prior to kick-off.
- Cost per Square: TBD
- 21 February 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting**
- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Time 5:30p
- 28 February 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Speaker: TBD

MARCH marzo

- 20 March 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting**
- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Time 5:30p
- 27 March 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Speaker: TBD

APRIL aprile

- 17 April 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting**
- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Establish the Nominating Committee for Election of Officers and Trustees for FY25 and FY26.
- Time 5:30p
- 24 April 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting**
- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Speaker: TBD

MAY maggio

- 22 May 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting**
- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Time 5:30p

29 May 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting

- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Presentation of Nominees for Officers and Trustees for FY25 and FY26
- Speaker: **TBD**

JUNE giugno

19 June 2024, Wednesday, Executive Committee Meeting

- Venue: Mama Roberto's Front Dining Room
- Time 5:30p

26 June 2024, Wednesday, Membership Meeting

- Venue: The Buona Festa Social Club
- Time: 6:00p
- Election of Officers and Trustees for FY25 and FY26
- Speaker: **TBD**

AUGUST agosto

3 August 2024, Saturday, AIH GOLF OUTING

- Chair and primary Point of Contact:
 - **TBD**
- Committee:
 - **TBD – Volunteers needed.**
- Venue: Black Brook Golf Club, Mentor, Ohio
- Time:
 - Registration at 8:00a
 - Shotgun start at 9:00a
- Cost: **TBD**
- Capacity: **TBD**
- Guests: Spouses and Guests are welcome
- Caterers: La Vera
- Reservations are required.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Compleanni di Novembre

Bill Gaglione.....	06
Mat Gambatese.....	06
Mario Fioritto Jr.....	11
Chris Tucci.....	21
Gary Deans.....	22
Joe Vitale.....	26
Judge Gene Lucci.....	29

When you see these members this month, be sure to wish them a Buon Compleanno.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

salute e benessere

The committee reported the following:

- Vice President Ron Wassum's son (and member) Brett Wassum is recovering from some surgery.
- Secretary Glenn Pizzuti's son Eric is also recovering from some surgery.

Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

If you know of or hear of any Health or Welfare issues involving a member, please pass that information on to Richard O'Keefe at richardokeefe65@gmail.com or 440-537-8505.

SPECIAL DAYS IN NOVEMBER

Here are just a few of the not so well-known special days in November for your observance.

- 02 Nov: Deviled Eggs Day
- 03 Nov: Sandwich Day
- 04 Nov: Common Sense Day
- 08 Nov: Tongue Twister Day
- 12 Nov: Happy Hour Day
- 14 Nov: Pickle Day
- 26 Nov: Cake Day

The above information was taken from timeanddate.com/holidays/fun.

ALLHALLOWTIDE

31 October – 2 November

All Saints' Day, also called All Hallows, Halloween, and Feast of All Saints is held on November 1 each year, celebrates, and honors all the Saints especially the Saints who are not honored on other days of the year.

The day is preceded by All Saints' Eve (Halloween) the night before, and then the day after by All Souls Day.

All Souls' Day falls on November 2nd each year. The day is dedicated to remembering those who have died, in particular one's own dead relatives.



The Allhallowtide begins on the evening of October 31st as All Saints Eve (also called Halloween) and then November 1st as All Saints Day and lastly November 2nd as All Souls Day. These three days represent the Allhallowtide triduum which is a time to reflect on the past saints, martyrs, faithful, and our own relatives who have died.

The above information was obtained from calendardate.com/all-saints-day-2023 and calendardate.com/all-souls-day-2023.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

5 November 2023

At 2:00 am, Sunday, Nov. 5, most of the country will set their clocks back an hour and gain an hour of sleep. The time shift, also referred to as "spring forward, fall back," causes sleep disruption for Americans and

requires some to manually correct clocks to the appropriate hour.

For those frustrated by the biannual shifts, there is hope as legislation has been introduced to prevent the end of daylight savings as the U.S. Senate unanimously approved a bill called the Sunshine Protection Act in 2022. Reintroduced by Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Florida, the act would permanently extend daylight saving time for the entire year. However, the measure has not yet been signed into law by President Joe Biden as it hasn't yet been passed by the U.S. House of Representatives, where it was "held at the desk."

The Standard Time Act of 1918 was the first law to implement standard and daylight-saving times at the federal level.

Federal oversight of time zones began in 1918 with the enactment of the Standard Time Act, which vested the Interstate Commerce Commission with the responsibility for establishing boundaries between the standard time zones in the U.S., according to The U.S. Department of Transportation. This responsibility was transferred from the Interstate Commerce Commission to DOT when Congress created DOT in 1966.

Arizona and Hawaii do not recognize daylight savings time as well as territories Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Marianas.

More than 70 countries in the world observe daylight saving time, however the start and end dates can differ.

The above information was taken from [usatoday.com/story/news/dated 9 Sep 23](http://usatoday.com/story/news/dated-9-Sep-23) by Anthony Robledo and Jennifer Sangalang

VETERANS DAY

11 November 2023

Armistice Day was commemorated every year on November 11th to mark the armistice signed between the Allies of World War I and Germany at Compiègne, France, for the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front of World War I, which took effect at eleven o'clock in the morning - the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918.

Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11th became a national holiday in 1938.

In 1954, after lobbying efforts by veterans' service organizations, the 83rd U.S. Congress amended the 1938 act that had made Armistice Day a holiday, striking the word "Armistice" in favor of the word "Veterans." President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation on June 1, 1954.

There are three days each year that we recognize the service and sacrifices of members of our Armed Forces. These days are not interchangeable, and they are not days set aside to recognize any person or pet who has passed away. They are intended to recognize members of our Armed Forces only.

Armed Forces Day this year fell on Saturday, 20 May. Armed Forces Day is intended to honor all members of the military currently serving in any branch of our Armed Forces.

Memorial Day this year fell on Monday, May 29th. Memorial Day is intended to honor all members of the military who died while serving in any branch of our Armed Forces. The holiday, which is currently observed every year on the last Monday of May, was previously observed on May 30 from 1868 to 1970.

Veterans Day this year falls on Saturday, 11 November. The WW-I Armistice with Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. Veterans Day is intended to honor all military veterans who have served in any branch of our Armed Forces.

November 11th is Veterans Day. If you like your freedom, thank a veteran.

JAMES A. GARFIELD

James Abram Garfield (November 19, 1831 – September 19, 1881) was the 20th president of the United States, serving from March 1881 until his assassination in September 1881. A lawyer and Civil War general, Garfield served nine terms in the United States House of Representatives and is the only sitting member of the House to be elected president. Before his candidacy for the presidency, he had been elected to the U.S. Senate by the Ohio General Assembly—a position he declined when he became president-elect.



Replica of the log cabin in Moreland Hills, Ohio, where Garfield was born

Garfield was born into poverty in a log cabin and grew up in northeastern Ohio (Moreland Hills). After graduating from Williams College, he studied law and became an attorney. He was active in the Stone-Campbell Movement

denomination. Garfield was elected as a Republican member of the Ohio State Senate in 1859, serving until 1861. He opposed Confederate secession, was a major general in the Union Army during the American Civil War, and fought in the battles of Middle Creek, Shiloh, and Chickamauga. Garfield was elected to Congress in 1862 to represent Ohio's 19th district. Throughout his congressional service, he firmly supported the gold standard and gained a reputation as a skilled orator. He initially agreed with Radical Republican views on Reconstruction but later favored a Moderate Republican-aligned approach to civil rights enforcement for freedmen.

Garfield's aptitude for mathematics extended to a notable proof of the Pythagorean theorem, which he published in 1876.

At the 1880 Republican National Convention, delegates chose Garfield, who had not sought the White House, as a compromise presidential nominee on the 36th ballot. In the 1880 presidential election, he conducted a low-key front porch campaign from "Lawnfield," his home in Lake County, and narrowly defeated the Democratic nominee, Winfield Scott Hancock. Garfield's accomplishments as president included his assertion of presidential authority against senatorial courtesy in executive appointments, a purge of corruption in the Post Office, and his appointment of a Supreme Court justice. He advocated for agricultural technology, an educated electorate, and civil rights for African Americans. He also proposed substantial civil service reforms, which were passed by Congress in 1883 as the Pendleton Civil Service Reform Act and signed into law by his successor, Chester A. Arthur.



Garfield Memorial at Lake View Cemetery in Cleveland, Ohio

On July 2, 1881, Charles J. Guiteau, a disappointed and delusional office seeker, shot Garfield at the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Station in Washington D.C. The wound was

not immediately fatal, but an infection caused by his doctors' unsanitary methods in treating the wound killed Garfield on September 19, 1881. Due to his brief tenure in office, historians tend to rank Garfield as a below-average president, though he has earned praise for anti-corruption and pro-civil rights stances.

OLIVE OIL

Three thousand years ago, the ancient Greeks brought the olive tree to Italy, and olive oil has been a key ingredient in Italian cuisine ever since. Extra-virgin olive oil is of the highest quality; the oil must be extracted mechanically by cold pressing within twenty-four hours of the olive harvest and bottled immediately. It is the purest and healthiest oil, with the highest concentration of antioxidants.

Virgin olive oil is made using a similar process, but with riper olives. Further subcategorizations – premium, extra, fine – have to do with the level of acidity. The finer the oil, the lower the acidity.

Exposing olive oil to sunlight destroys its antioxidants, which is why it is always bottled in dark-green or brown bottles.

You may be surprised to learn that the uses of olive oil extend beyond the kitchen; it has been used for millennia to protect and moisturize skin and hair.

The above information was taken from the Living Language Italian 2023 Calendar.

CERVIA'S SALT

The small town of Cervia, nestled between Ravenna and Rimini along Italy's Adriatic coast, is where you will find some of the world's finest salt. Extracted through the natural evaporation of sea water, it is the absence of bitter minerals that lends Cervia's salt its uniquely sweet taste. The Salina Camillione is the only sea mine where salt is still harvested by hand.

Historically, salt was a prized commodity, over which wars were waged. So, it's no wonder that Cervia is also known as the city of White Gold.

Cervia's salt is also known as the "pope's salt," with each year's first harvest ceremoniously delivered to the pope in The Vatican.

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NOVEMBER FESTIVALS & EVENTS IN ITALY

November is the off-peak tourist season in Italy, making it the perfect fall destination for anyone who enjoys crisp weather and a lack of crowds. Additionally, traveling to Italy this time of year allows you to participate in several popular

local and tourist-free autumn events. From harvest-time truffle fairs to lively cultural festivals that celebrate the start of the performing arts season, there are plenty of ways to immerse yourself in Italian culture this November.

Fiera Internazionale Tartufo Bianco D'Alba

November is truffle season in Italy, especially in and around the Piedmont region, and to celebrate the fall harvest, the Fiera Internazionale Tartufo Bianco D'Alba (Alba White Truffle Festival) is held from early October through late November each year. Considered one of the biggest truffle events in the country, the Alba White Truffle Festival features a wide range of truffles including the highly coveted Tartufo Bianco, an aromatic and flavorful variety that's one of the most expensive truffles worldwide. This colorful festival is held in the medieval Tuscan town of San Miniato on the second, third, and fourth weekends in November. Craft stands, entertainment, and restaurants feature the celebrated truffles during the fair, and you can even take part in a truffle hunt where you can pick and eat your own.

Crastatone a Piancastagnaio

November is also the height of the chestnut harvest season in many Italian towns and villages. Piancastagnaio, in the Province of Siena, hosts this festival from October through early November each year, when you can enjoy roasted, boiled, and dried chestnuts while perusing local art and vendor stands. Afterward, don't miss the special fall menus at regional restaurants, which highlight truffles, chestnuts, and wild mushrooms, and be sure to look for special harvest dishes served on Sundays throughout the month as well.

Roma Europa Festival

Beginning in late September and running through early December each year, the Roma Europa Festival presents musical works of art in venues all around Rome almost every day in November. Various performances include dramatic plays, live music, dance performances, and a variety of other interactive acts to suit almost every taste. Whether you're a fan of digital art or traveling with children, the shows and performances featured at this four-month event provide an opportunity for visitors and locals alike to experience the full range of artistic expression in Italy.

Roma Jazz Festival

Celebrated throughout the month of November, the Rome Jazz Festival is organized by the International Music Festival Foundation and features some of the biggest names in the genre performing at venues across the city. Tickets are required to attend concerts during the festival and can be purchased online in advance or at the door while available.

Originally founded in 1976 as a summer event, the Roma Jazz Festival has been taking place in the fall since 1996. Past performers at the festival include Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Sarah Vaughan, The Manhattan Transfer, B.B. King, and several local and international stars.

All Saints Day

Celebrated on November 1, All Saints Day is a national holiday in Italy, and while many shops will be closed, most top tourist attractions and museums remain open. Use this national holiday to attend services at ancient churches that are not usually open to the public including Saint Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore in Florence, and St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican. On the following day—known as All Souls Day—Italians bring flowers to cemeteries across the country to honor their deceased relatives.

La Festa della Salute

One of Venice's most important celebrations, the Feast of Our Lady of Good Health is held each year on November 21 at Madonna Della Salute Church. It commemorates Venice's deliverance from the plague in 1621 with a temporary bridge erected across the Grand Canal marking the occasion. On the day of the event, thousands of pilgrims cross over the bridge to the church in a very beautiful procession.

Vins Extremes

On November 30, 2019, there is a festival dedicated to wine grown in Italy's most extreme environments. Taking place in Forte di Bard in the Aosta Valley, an hour's drive from Turin in northern Italy, Vins Extremes features guided tastings and seminars on extreme wine growing. Every wine you taste at this event has been grown on a high slope or remote island, where there is zero risk of contamination. These are some of the purest wines you can taste and if you're interested in the art of winemaking, this event is a great reason to finally take that trip to the Italian Alps.

The above information was taken from tripsavvy.com/November-Italy

PHRASE OF THE MONTH

Il prossimo giro, lo offro io! – The next round is on me!

Information taken from the Living Language Italian 2023 Calendar

MISSION STATEMENT

dichiarazione di missione

The purpose of this Association is to promote the moral, social, and civic advancement of its membership, and to perpetuate the customs and cultural aspects of Italian Heritage.

Article II, Section 1 of the AIH Bylaws

AMERICANS OF ITALIAN HERITAGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1 July 2022 – 30 June 2024

President..... Gus Paolucci
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ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Christmas Party Flyer

SOME ITALIAN HUMOR



Cartoon courtesy of Andy Arena

COMMENTS TO THE EDITOR

If you have any questions or comments about, or suggestions for this newsletter, please put your thoughts in an email and send them to me at GPizzuti@GlennPizzutiArchitect.com